### **SENATE BILL No. 159**

#### DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 20-10.1-16-4.

**Synopsis:** Timing of ISTEP examination. Provides that the date on which the ISTEP statewide testing is administered must be during the spring semester.

Effective: July 1, 2003.

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January 7, 2003, read first time and referred to Committee on Education and Career Development.





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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning education.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

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1	SECTION 1. IC 20-10.1-16-4, AS AMENDED BY P.L.146-1999.
2	SECTION 6, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
3	JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 4. (a) The board shall:

- (1) authorize the development and implementation of the Indiana statewide testing for educational progress program; and
- (2) determine the date, which must be during the spring semester of the school year, on which the statewide testing is administered in each school corporation.
- (b) The state superintendent is responsible for the overall development, implementation, and monitoring of the ISTEP program.
- (c) The department shall prepare detailed design specifications for the ISTEP program that must do the following:
  - (1) Take into account the academic standards.
  - (2) Include testing of students' higher level cognitive thinking in each subject area tested.



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